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1. A large number of Army officers, particularly ones with the rank of Major and above, were discharged on pension in October and November 1954. Since December it has been reported that the majority of the discharged officers would be called back to service and that the program to diminish the military personnel would be cancelled.
2. An individual who had received his discharge in October and who had obtained a position in a production co-operative, was summoned to a military office located on Tolbukhin Street in Sofia, and asked to return to army service.

Comment: [] the majority of veteran high-ranking officers who were retained in the Bulgarian Army after 1944 due to their qualifications and to the lack of politically reliable experienced officers to replace them, were retired on pensions in early November 1954. [] a regular Army Starshi Leytenant was released on 29 December 1954 without warning, and that many other officers were being released in an alleged curtailing of the Bulgarian Army. [] released officers were to be assigned to collectives. However, [] a reduction of State Administrative Staffs is proceeding in all fields except the Army and the Security Service. The latter were to have been included, but their reduction was abandoned as a result of the Moscow policy change and a worsening of the international situation.

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